### NEWS OF THE OLD WORLD-BY CABLE TO THE REPUBLIC

#### LONDONERS FLEE TO THE CONTINENT.

Adjournment of Parliament Adds to the Unparalleled Dulness of the Metropolis.

CECIL RHODES IS IGNORED.

Former Idol of English Society Is Keeping Very Quiet-The War Spirit Is Sullen De termination.

SPECIAL BY CARLEL

London, Saturday, April 16.-(Contribit 200, by the New York Herald Company.)-What with the Queen in living, the mi correspont of Paritiment, the attractions of he present the appendix of the Paris Expsition, the war and the fate which has taken rochety off to South Africa to rome-this expression has become a standard tokever before this London known so absolute-

on might have immerized vesterday that day had been suddenly transformed ina prostneid fown. For the last two days e railroad companies, especially those chose thes lend to the Continout, have been taxed to their almost to convey away the tumbers of people who have fled to escape the hornors of the British Easternian.

I happened to be at Charing Cross or Thursday to see a triend off. What a sight it was! Diplomatists, Members of Parita-bent, stockbrokers, all rushing and pushing, and the hurrying of bug and baggage Paris, Brussels, anywhere, everywhere. The usual normal-sized train had been replaced by one which seemed codiess to length. A second, equally leng, supp ed that. Yet there was not room sufficient for those who wanted to leave,

inside the matter the some was one must interesting and extraordinary, trutche was the grand mass of liansons and four-wheelers fammed up rogither, so many and so blickly that fully a handred persons missed their trains. Cabs inside the yard could not bet away, while those outside waited long persons to set in. Luckly, with the Easter periods to get in. Luckity, with the Easter holiday movement, perfect weather set in, which means everything to the thousands who cater to the river trads between Tes-lington and Oxford.

Millard's Cables Excite Interest. Mr. Millard's telegram from Pretoria, giving a synopsis of the war up to date from

ty, which is intesteedmal in numbers, is sweaker to-day than ever. Here, there and everywhere you hear of proflemen busily organizing Rough Rider contingents, and should the Government

give the least encouragement in this direc-tion the world would be astonished at the immediate future between America and

What perhaps is more astenishing than all else in the face of recent disaster is the absolute confidence which every one seems of impatience on a sides you hear satisfaction expressed at Lord Roberts's courage at not moving unil everything is absolutely in order. The Maine will arrive early in the com-

ing week. I am in a position to state that she will, as promptly as possible, return to the Cape. There was a question of anoney, but that no longer exists. Whatever is needed in that direction will, I am pastired by a very wealthy American, be forthcoming when asked for. Lady Ran-delph Churchill, as you know, will not go out again, and there may be some que on about the American doctor being able

Cecil Rhodes Unpopular.

South African war relies, which are be pioning to arrive in quantities, attract open-eyed, gazing growds in front of the windows in which they are exhibited. Two mementoes of the slege of Ladysmith have just reached London. One of these is a copy of the New Year's card which was by Lady White to the Gordon Highlanders. The other is the printed form of thunksgiving for the relief of the town which was used in various places of worhip as soon as the event took place. The Queen's chocolate boxes also con-

tinue to arrive, while with the arrival in bingiand of the man of the cruiser Poweral, all sorts of things from Ladysmith as shown, and the market, for the time being at any rate, will be flooded with relies in a window in "lest street two brass door plates with in criptions in Dutch are responsible for that sands of persons stop plng every day. A dacard impacts the ininformation that these places edorned the doors of the legation of the Bouth African Republic in Brussels,

Cecil Rhodes is keeping very quiet, but little has been heard of his tioings since he arrived in England a week ago. In many quarters his visit has been ignored. He was never more unpopular, Society, of which three years ago he was the idol, has peace. samply turned its back on him, partly in indifference, partly in disgust.

To do him justice, Mr. Rhodes was never gauch taken with social blandishments. He has come on business, and business must mean in the long run one thing for him above all others-namely, the buying out of the Chartered Company, the Government ssuming its debt of about ten militons \$50,000,000), and its heavy annual liability. ile the company retains its commercia

and mining assets. It is said in the city that the largest application for a share in the war came from a well-known American mil lionnire. The amount was, as has been stated, £19,000,000 (\$10,000,000), of which, or cier the pro rata system adopted by the Chanceller, only 1600,000 (\$3,000,000), could be

#### MILLIONS STARVING IN INDIA.

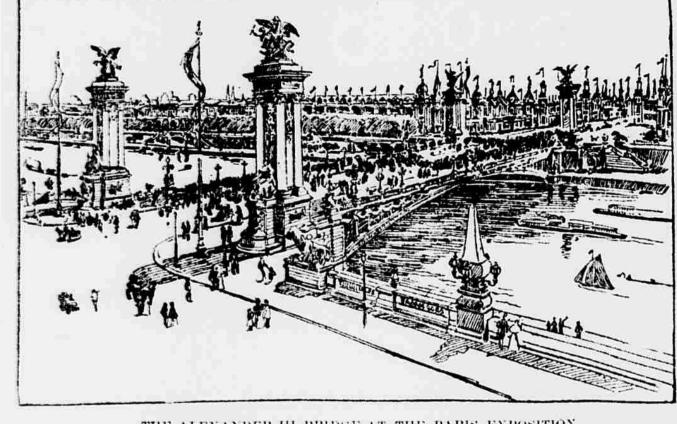
Country One Vast Desert-The Deadly Plague.

SPECIAL BY CABLE.

London, Saturday, April 18.-(Copyright 1900, by the New York Herald Company .-Nothing but the absorption of all public in-terest by the war prevents the terrible con-ditions now prevailing in India from creating a tremendous sensation. At the presentime no less than 10,000,000 natives are practically starving and wholly dependent or Government relief for the means of sustain-

Donald Smeaton, a member of the Vice regal Council, who recently returned from a tour in the central and western part of India, describes the situation: "For hun dreds of tolles not a single stalk of corn or even dry stubble was seen, nor ye a binde of green pusture. There was no water, except in the larger rivers and streams. The deepest tanks and reservoirs, which never have been known to run dry,

are now dry as a rock.
"The whole country is now one vast, bare, brown, lonely desert, where in ordinary seasons one may see busy threshing floors studded all over with heaps of grain." The natives are flocking to the Government relief stations, but there is not food or even a tenth of the starving population It is no exaggeration to predict that millions will die of starvation or the plague before the country can possibly recover from the effects of the famine.



THE ALEXANDER HI BRIDGE AT THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

#### **ENGLAND'S HOPES** ARE ON MCKINLEY.

Wants His Re-election, but Fears to Proffer Him Her Well Wishes.

EXPECTS HARD THINGS SAID.

Democrats Will Denounce Us and Republicans Will Not Date to Defend Us," Says the Spectator.

Coperight, 1966, by the Associated Press London, April 14.-Not a little interest is the Bod point of view, has created much interest here. I myself have had the advantage of being away from Lendon for hearly a fortnight, and am therefore in a country a fortnight, and am therefore in a country than in any other light, the populardition to gauge how the British public ity of the Admiral having never been quite is just this way: The people are awfully understood in England, nor his achieve-Fired of the war, but at the same time there ments thoroughly appreciated by the naval is absolutely no thought of "quitting"—to or lay circles, whose attention has always use a sporting term. The stop-the-war parbeen more confined to our naval operations ments thoroughly appreciated by the naval in the West Indies than in Manlin.

England Watches Our Politics. The Spectator, which so often voices Government opinion, has a lengthy and imsupply of reserve force which would be Great Britain, during which it says, in

part: "The British people will have to keep their tempers for the next few months to show in the successful result of the when they consider American affairs, By happens that the pivot of the next election will be the relations of the United States and Great Britain, and, of course, in the frenzy of the campaign, very hard thing will be said.

"Mr. Bryan and his supporters will per haps pass resolutions in the Democrati-Convention calling upon the Government to intervene strongly in behalf of President Kruger, who, either by instinct or crafts ness, always appeals to them through lit-erature which they know best-the cold

Hard Words and Weak Defense. "We shall have a shower of hard words from their side and maybe even difficult and perplexed argument to maintain

through Lord Pauncefote. "And, too, we shall not be very strenn-ously defended by the Republicans, Presi-dent McKinicy will persist in his policy and carry his party with him, but still he the Republican candidate for the presidency, and cannot bear, with the second term at stake, to lose a vote. Mr. McKinley therefore, and the Republican leaders will do nothing to show themselves friends of

Republicans Fear Well Wishes

They will utter no plain protest against a chorus of ignorant reprobation, and will view with disting any appearances on this side of any hearty with for Republican peress. We must possess our a uls in pa tience and receive American censure with that dogged solidity with which we receive consure from the remainder of the world. The electoral campaign will come to an enand with it most of the attacks upon Grea

The better opinion in the United State including, we believe, a uniform, of the people, is friendly to us, and fully convinced that all the world over British and American interests are the same. Neither nation desires anything except to trade in

Respect for the Queen. "Of one thing we may be sure, the Americans will not caricature the Queen. In the fiercest of their electoral battles they will respect the aged lady who, forty years ago, was on their side in the Civil War, and who now is the only monarch in Europe who watches their prosperity with ungrudging pleasure and without the idea that their growth, wealth and influence is a menace to the world."

This article voices better than anything

that has recently appeared the tone of the Continent towards America, held by Brit-ish Government efficies, and by those who are seriously interested in the relations of the two countries. The statement that the senste will not ratify the Hax-Pauncefore convention this year has created little comnear. These who maintain that England and given something for nothing in the Nicataguan agreement express pleasure and hope that it will never be mitted, while those who supported the convention never the postponement of action as the most advisable step in view of political conditions in the United States.

All Depends on "Robs"

The Saturday Review says. Whether McKinley's attitude regarding South Africa will remain equally correct depends entirely not on his sentiments toward us, but upon

of Lord Roberts Officers Generally Stupid.

The unsatisfactors turn that has recently marked the campaign against the Boort is resulting in estemishing and sweeping criti-cisms by the English papers of their own army methods. When Buller struck sough in Natel, when General Methaca and General Gatacre made terrible mistakes an before the British arms had secured are progress, a somewhat similar wave swept over the press. But then it was directed at individuals. Now names are not mentioned. but there is widespread deeply routed con-viction that the method of selection of Reit ish army officers is altogether wrong About this conviction there is no billerness nor is it based upon conclusions rapidly arrived at "Our officers," says the conservative common-sense Outlook, "are as brave as lions, but as a rule they are stunid.

Referring to a much-come written by Cofonel Lonsdale Hale to the Times on this subject, in which Colonel

American Nerve Commended.

"What of the strain that a naval offichas to bear when he knows his ship may be torpedeed at any moment? American naval officers have borne that strain well Cannot our English soldiers bear less." in other words the army must be so changed that an officer can live on his parand thus attract to its rank that backless clement of the race—the young man who

HIGH HONOR TO MR. CHOATE. Receives Degree of Doctor of Law.

at Edinburgh. Edinburgh, April 14.—The muversity her e-day conferred the degree of LL, D, on

Joseph H. Cheate, the United States Ambassador to Great Britalia. He was given hearty reception.

In presenting the degree to Mr. Choute dr Ludovic James Grant, regins professo of public law in the university, and that he other of United States Andreador London had long been resociated in British minds with the possession of three and but thant gifts, but never was mable expecttion more completely satisfied than by the appointment of Mr. Courte who, the speak r declared, had won such a regulation a the New York for as it fell to the lot of chieve. His commanding genius, Se taolosting between the United States and Great countries ever grew electric firmer than at present no small share of the erely to his desirable consummation must be

These remarks were greated with protonged arplause.

NEW FRENCH CRUISER. The Chateaurenault Makes Twenty

Five Knots an Hour.

Toulon, April 14.-The new Francis first

has crafter, Charenovensult, in her speed trials yesterday made twenty-five knots. The Chateautenault was laid down at La Seyne in 1897. She is 442 feet 10 inches long, is 55 feet 9 inches wide and has a depth of If feet 6 inches. Her displacement is 8.018 power of 23,000. She cost \$3,000,000. Her armament consists of two 6.4-inch quick-fire

## HAPPY EASTERTIDE

British People at Home Make Merry While the War Goes On.

YOUNG SOMERSET'S ILL LUCK.

Was Heir to a Dukedom Until the Other Day, When a Baby Deprived Him of His High Prospects.

London, April 11.-Easter eggs this seaso are decorated with pictures of General Lord. Roberts and Union Jacks, with shamrocks grounds. Political affairs are in a dormant I state and was and the spirit of imperialism are in the ascendant. Had any one dared to things would have come about within a Hale declares that the constant winted to scorn. A spirit of rejoicing pervades the alterations become strain and incessant carefulness become country, which is not at all desided be to. Captain Symmers, who country, which is not at all platified by the progress of British arms in South Africa. Nevertheless, England needs an outlet for the enthusiasm ever past victories, for the decinit's offer to command his new 70-factor escape of the Prince of Wales and for the new holding at the Herreshoffs. It is said prosperous times that have benefical the that Sycamore's declination is due to his dented flows of excursionists is leaving Len. | lest in h den over Good Friday and Easter Monday. relies upon brains alone to make his way. Every one who can afford it has gone away | point of and holiday-making is the rage of the ma-

> are likely to attend. Seven months ago housends were planning to visit Paris; but since the anti-Charlish press in France has be one of the greatest expositions of the

Punch bowing to Mistress Parts and wishing her good fortune; but this does not represent in the slightest degree popular opinion for, as the Globe says. "The British possible attenut going to the show."

Spenking of shows, one of the most an beat occurred this week when the Royal pends Maundy Money was distributed to old men achee public resorts give ample evidence of and women at Westminster Abbey. The the return of the tide of American travel, eremony of giving small aims to describe. Not times lead michanner has Southempceremony of giving small alms to deserving persons with Yeomen of the Guard in at-, ton presented a busiler appearance than on tendance, as usual attracted large crowds. and, according to an evening paper, the red were containing the Queen's small all among the former were Mrs. Leshe Carrier, were easerly bounds up by American vistors, some of whom offered as much as a for them. The number of resipients increases with each year of the Queen's life, and the visit was to the Carriek Theater, which is the containing the former who will be a for the containing the former were Mrs. Leshe Carrier, May 2 company the Zarrier, and the containing the former were Mrs. Leshe Carrier, Wrs. Leshe Carrier, Mrs. Leshe Carrier, righty-one men and eighty-one women who the other day tottered up to the Abley chancel formed a striking, fiving commentary on the great age of the Empire's active to seek a specialist immediately.

Young Somers Somerset, the son of Lady Henry Somerset, who is well known in America, has been deprived of his chances of becoming Duke of Beaufort by the hirth Henry Somerset, who is well known in America, has been derived of his chances

# FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

For years young Somerset has been the beir-apparent to the dukedom, as lithertothe Duke of Beaufort only had two daugh ters. But now, for the first time in a century and a half, a Marquis of Worcester has been been, and Somerset, during the life of this young Marquis, will never be called his cirace. Somerset married four years ago and has a son. Though this unexpected Marquis of Worcester the Duke of Beau-fort is an old man-robs Somerset of the chances of a dukedom, he comes in for a

considerable fortune upon the demise of his father, whose marriage to Lady Henry resolted in such notorious unhappiness and disagreement. Young Somerset is one of and Irish harps interwoven on their the keepest motor-car experts in England. improving the Shamrock. He has had a testing tank fitted up, various models at h here total and the results are carefully prophesy at this time fast year that these lightest to enable him, to reduct the little things would have come about within a of the defeated cup challenger. It is said twelvementh he would have been handled that lifts has a free facet in making any

desire to take part in the imperiant con-Stephen Crane a Hiness.

Paor Stephen Crane, who is lying at the point of death, has for the year been ocit is situated in the levellest part of Next week marks the opening of the Paris | Sussex and is owned by Moceton Frewen, erument and to the Reichstag will finally Exposition. Comparatively few Britishers it is called Bred. Place, and was built in be adopted. The vacation of the Reichstag Here the reality it is a miniature easile. has been used for the purpose of preparing. There, with strew littered over the stone, such a compromise. there, with street distributions turning the Nordeleutsche Allgemeine publishes a brightly and with everything as in the long article explaining why the commitscome so venomens almost all interest tended times, the man who wrote "The Rei seems to have been lost in what promised in . Theige of Courage" has been turning on books and magazine storick with an inconnect ave have him credit. Though serbage the next American of all Amer learns in England, no one in English literary

houseing to Paris the hotels and Paul arrived with a long list of theatrical people and general tourists. Prominent

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GERMAN MEAT BILL **GROWS IN FAVOR.** 

Compromise Measure Will Probably Pass the Reichstag Next Week.

Elaborate Preparations at Berlin | Plans to Make Capital Out of for the Visit of Emperor Francis Joseph - Catholics Are Warned.

Berlin April 14. The chances of a com- | SPECIAL BY CABLE, promise on the meat bill are steadily in- Paris Saturday, Ap creasing and the probabilities are that a poor by the New York Herald Company.)-

ter's report on the meat bill was not acceptable to the Government in view of the fact that it would surely precipitate un Though | pleasant and mutually unprofitable differences with other Powers, besides unduly bereasing the price of one of the "most necessary notriments both for high and threatens to end before he reaches his thir-ical year. His wife is with him. I low, whose exclusive production by Ger-man agriculture would be doubtful even man agriculture would be doubtful even The spring inflow of Americans has be-gin and while many of the visitors are al-Government meat bill in its original shape meant a considerable benefit to German agriculture, and this has been acknowledged by such Conservative leaders as

Count von Mirbach and Baron von Man tenfel. The article strongly advises the agrarian extremists not to bend the bow too far lest it should break, Certainly the Bundesrath will never consent to the extreme form proposed by the Reichstag committee. Meat Bill Compromise.

Negotiations between Government representatives and a number of leading Conservatives have been going on for the past fortnight and have now proceeded far enough to permit it to be said that when the Reichstag reconvenes the week after next the chances of the compromise bill passing are much better. At the same time the Government has

made up its mind to fight the extreme agrarians and especially the Federation of Husbandry. The Conservative parties who hitherto went along with those extremists. more or less willingly, now declare their intention to separate on this issue. well-known Conservative leaders thus declaring are Herren Von Mirbach, Man-Levetzow, Klinckowstroem and Kropatschek. The Government now believes that the

compromise measure, which is sure to be adopted and passed, will not meet with serious objections in the United States, One of the arguments used by the Government with the Agrarians was to point out how exports to the United States had enormously growing lately, especially agricultural products.

Welcome for Francis Joseph. Preparations have begun for grandly re-

viving the Emperor of Austria here May 5. The municipality will beautifully decorate the whole distance from the Anhalter de-pot, where his Majesty will arrive, to the Brandenburg gate, Pariserplatz and Unter den Linden, to the castle. Three triumphal arches will be creefed to break the monotony on the way. The 30,600 Austrians residing in Berlin are also making arrangements for illuminating at hight, and to display Austrian flags throughout the city. Thousands of busts of the Emperor of Austria will be placed in show windows. Spiritunlism n Fnd.

Spiritualism a Fad.

Spiritualistic seances and manifestations have become a fad in Germany. In Berlin such seances occur every night, new 'mediums' appear almost daily and the papers publish statements pro and con.

In Catholic Germany this is also the case, especially in Bavaria. The Entscopacy of Augsberg has issued an encyclical to the clergy, warning them against the fad, threatening to interdict it, and reminding them that Catholicism has always declared against Spiritualism as a "gross superstiagainst Spiritualism as a "gross supersti-

Dinner to Ex-Consul Monahan.

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United States Consul General F. H. Mason gave a farewell dinner to James Monaghan, who has resigned the Consulship at Chemnitz, and who returns to the United States. The dinner, which took place at the Philace Hotel, was attended by the United States Ambassador, Andrew D. White, the members of the United States Embassy, and a number of the United States Consuls in Germany. Mr. Mason made the introductory speech and James C. Monaghan gave a confidential professional tulk.

Mr. Mason to-morrow afternoon gives a musical for the Consuls, and Mr. White will give them a reception Sunday evening, and

Special Treasury Agent Partello will do the same Monday.

Under the editorship of Frank E. Mallett has been begun the publication of a weekly, the Anglo-German and German News at give them a reception Sunday evening, and Special Treasury Agent Partello will do the

### FRENCH MINISTRY REACHES SAFETY.

Futile Final Attacks Made by the Opposition Before the Exposition Truce.

AMERICA WILL NOT OBJECT. MINORITY COMES TO GRIEF.

Colonel Mareuil Are Frustrated by His Surprising Will.

BY M. CORNELY.

Paris Saturday, April 14.-(Copyright When these lines appear France will have entered upon the truce of the exhibition. and the parliamentary vacation will have inaugurated a period of profound peace, which will have the effect of making the Exposition seem almost ready.

The irreconcilable opposition, compos Moderate Republicans, Monarchists and Clericals, united under the name of Nationalists, thus finds itself in the strangest of situations. It is forced to find the Exposition admirable and to look upon it as a proof of the vitality of the French people, for if it said the contrary it would offend public opinion.

Still, it does not wish the Government to have the credit for the Exposition. In this way it maintains at once that France is saved, and that her Government has ruined her. To escape from this ridiculous position

the opposition tried until the last momentuntil even Thursday night-to upest the minority, and even half an hour after the midnight there was still one fanatio who wanted to make an interpellation while the budget made its fourth trip between the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, which two houses finally came to an agree-The final serious attack on the Govern

ment took place forty-eight hours previous ly, under the leadership of Baron Denvs Cochin and M. Meline, who, as they have done before, reproached the minority with favoring the Socialists. As, on the other hand, the Socialists represented the Cabi-net with favoring capitalists' classes, sensible people are obliged to conclude that the two grievances annul one another. Another misadventure has befallen the Nationalists. They had prepared to organize disturbances when Colonel Villebols de

Marcuil, who had taken service with the

Boers, should return. This unfortunate Colonel has been taken by surprise and killed. They have now fallen back on his corpse and have demanded a solemn faneral Then the will comes out in which the fend Colonel asks to be buried where he died, and behind this there also come out some letters, in which Colonel Villebois de

Marcuil declares, first, that he left the army because the gold braid of the rank of General no longer seemed to him worthy of acquisition, and, secondly, that the general staff had acted in a contemptible manner in refusing revision of the Dreyfus case and in trying to dishenor M. Zola's Never has the opposition been so ridiou-

lons. Never has the Government been in a better situation Treasury Statement.

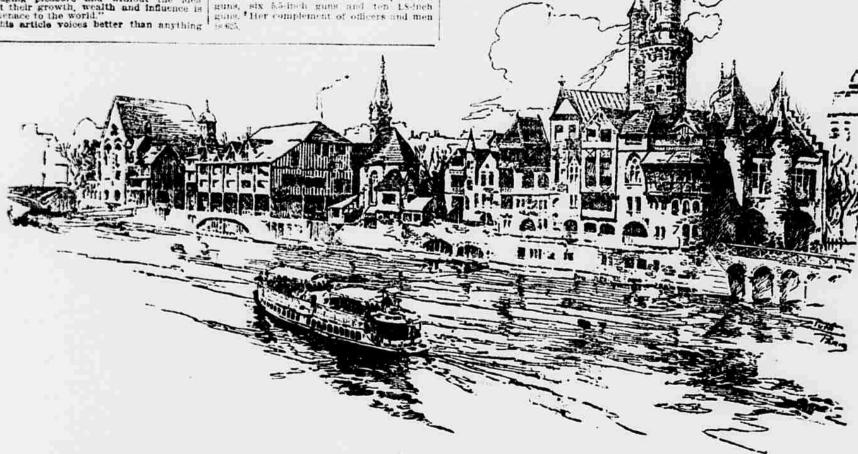
Washington, April 14 To-day's statement of the Trensury balances in the general fund, ex-ciusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of red-mption shows: Available cash balance \$150,164,009; gold \$00,067,271.

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"OLD PARIS" AS VIEWED FROM THE RIVER.

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